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LBJ SHOULD SAVE TSHOMBE

Dear Sir:

Moise Tshombe has the prayers of Christians and anti-communists everywhere. As the former head of Katanga, the most stable and prosperous section of the Congo, he was envied and plotted against by African revolutionaries led by communists. UN mercenaries, bolstered by U.S. planes, shot up Katanga and made it a shambles. Tshombe eventually found it sensible to leave a Reddening Congo. So now he is illegally kidnapped and illegally sentenced by an Algerian court, kangaroo-style. Algeria's president Boumedienne has just been to Moscow and back: he is expected to dispatch Tshombe to the Congo.

It is not surprising to hear Tshombe a name the CIA (U.S. Central Intelligence Agency) as his nemesis. You recall the CIA was discovered shoveling our tax money to the National Student Association, the National Council of Churches, and other "liberal" socialist outfits.

It is time for one of the congressional committees on U.S. security to give the CIA a thorough probe. Reports indicate congress hands the CIA between \$600 million and \$1 billion of our tax money every year, no

strings attached. The CIA should be restricted to rounding up subversives and aiding only anti-communists, rather than promoting revolution in Algeria, the Congo, Cuba, and Vietnam.

In the meantime, the U. S. planes sent to the Congo by Big Brother Lydon should be used to rescue our friend Tshombe. He does not deserve torture and death by communists.

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